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I. Party Organization at the Air Engineering Academy, Moscow

1. Lower Party Organization (Nizovaya Partiinaya Organizatsia) is the basic Party organization of the Academy, which replaced the former Communist Cell (Komyachelka) in the early 1930s. It is organized within nearly every Chair of the Department and is under the direction of the Faculty Party Organization. The Lower Party Organization is composed of six to fifteen permanent members and is headed by a Secretary and "Partburo" (Party Office or Bureau). Meetings are held two or three times a month. There is also a Lower Party Organization of the One-year Course (temporary membership).
2. Faculty (or School) Party Organization (Fakultetskaya Partorganizatsia) consists of several Lower Party Organizations, has 120 to 150 permanent members, and is headed by a Partburo of seven to nine members. There is also a Faculty Party Organization for transient student and faculty members. Meetings of the organization are held twice a month.
3. Leadership
  - A. A Partorg (Party Organizer) of the Lower Party Organization, permanent membership, is in charge when the Party has less than six members. He is appointed by the Politotdel (Political Department).
  - B. Partburo (Party Office or Bureau)
    1. One Partburo, composed of a Secretary and seven to nine officials, is at the head of each Faculty Organization. Bureau members are "elected" in a general meeting of the organization, although candidates are actually selected far in advance by the Politotdel and by the Deputy Chief in Charge of Political Affairs (formerly called the Commissar of the Academy). At the election meeting the advance list of names of candidates is immediately submitted, while only two or three other persons are given the opportunity to announce any other candidates. Those proposed by the Politotdel are always selected and although the whole procedure is regarded as a farce, all members participate.

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2. After the election, members choose from among themselves the Secretary of the Partburo (who is also designated in advance). If the result of the election is unfavorable to the proposed candidate, the Deputy Chief in Charge of Political Affairs simply declares that the meeting is without authority and announces a new election. (During the election of the Partburo at Moscow Higher Technical Institute i/a Bauman - NVTU, Bauman - the designated Secretary was not elected because of his great unpopularity among Party members. After this, the Director of the NVTU, Major General Andreyev, was relieved of duty for about three months because he did not actively support the designated Secretary.)

C. Party Commission is composed of a Chairman (Predsedatel) and five members, selected from the most active Party members of the Academy or from the Politotdel members.

D. Appointed Leadership

1. Deputy Chief of the Faculty in charge of the Faculty Political Section.
2. Deputy Chief of the Academy in charge of the Academy Political Section.
3. Chief of the Political Department and Instructors.

E. Other Leadership

1. Indirect: Chairs of Social-Economic Subjects and Chief of the Officers' House.
2. "Smerah" Units and their (secret) agents.

II. Party Organization in an Industrial Establishment

1. Lower Party Organization: Directed by a Partorg if the membership is small, or by a Partburo if the membership is large.
2. Factory Party Organization: Directed by the factory Partburo.
3. Party District Committee: Directed by the district Partburo.
4. Party City Committee.
5. Party Regional Committee.
6. Party Central Committee of each Republic.
7. Central Committee of the All-Union Communist Party

III. Procedure followed for acceptance of new Party members at the Air Engineering Academy:

1. It is necessary for any officer who desires to join the Party to secure two to three recommendations from old Party members with "stazh" or standing;

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of two or more years. His application is then considered by the Lower Party Organization, which requires a complete résumé of his life and political and scientific work. Later, his application is considered by the Politotdel and the Deputy Chief in Charge of Political Affairs, after which it goes to the Party members to be voted upon.

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2. After the above initial step, the same procedure is repeated in the Partburo, and finally at the general meeting of the Faculty Organization. After approval, the applicant is considered a candidate member of the VKP (b), and must be approved by the Party Commission. After several months of further investigation, the candidate may be given his Party card by the Deputy Chief of Political Affairs.
3. After a candidacy of one year, an officer has the right to apply for admission as a full member, when the procedure is about the same as stated above. If any political offense is committed during the probationary period, such as non-attendance at Party meetings, full explanation must be given at the Party meeting of his basic organization. The case is then put on the agenda of the general meeting, and finally transferred to the Party Commission for final decision. The candidate may be reprimanded or expelled for serious offenses.

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